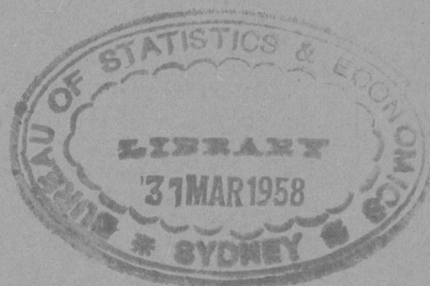


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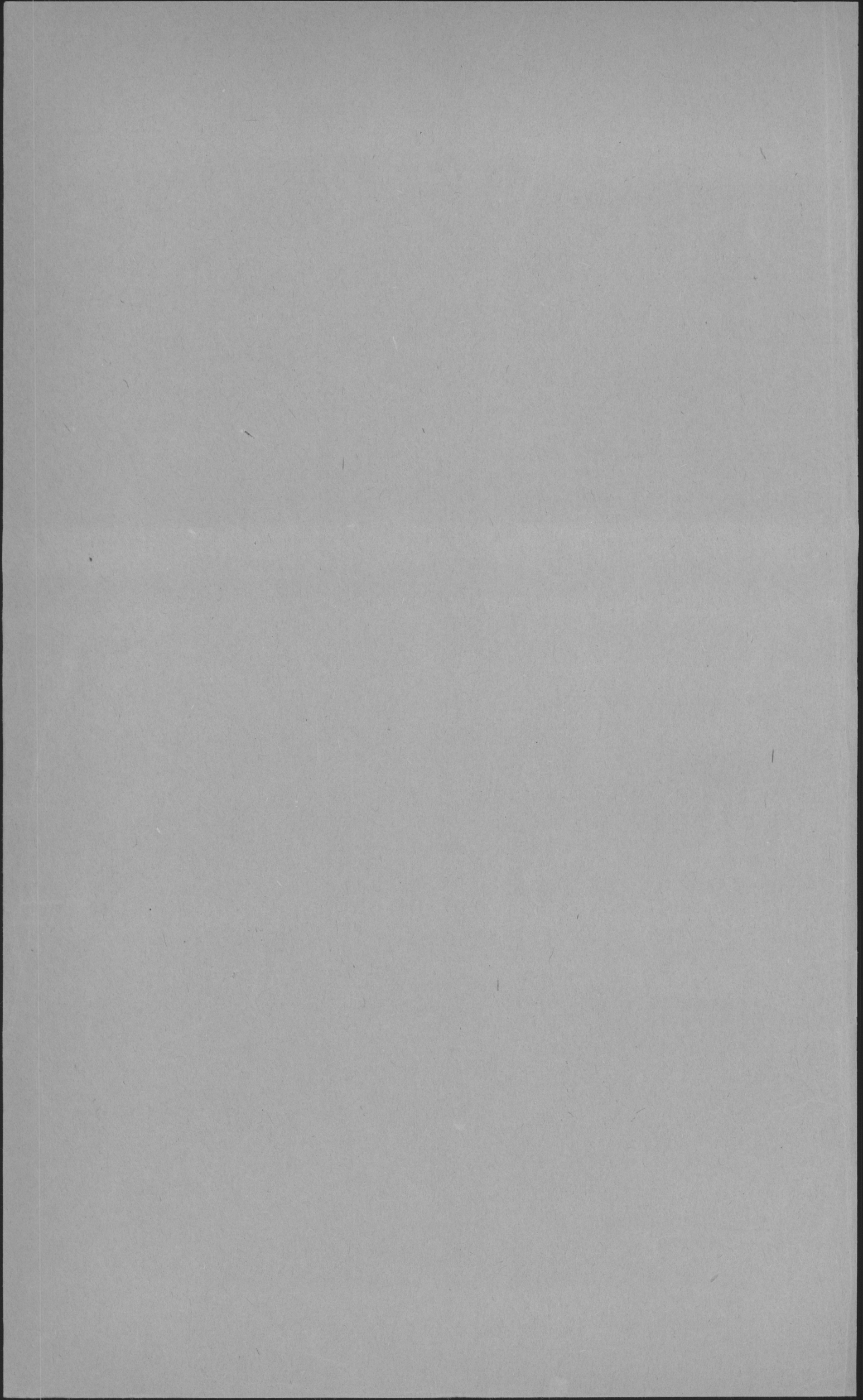
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll Tax returns. Pay-roll Tax returns at present cover approximately 80 per cent. of the total estimated number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding rural and female private domestics) and are lodged by all employers paying more than £200 per week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1957). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 per week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 per week from 1st October, 1953 and to £120 per week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 per week was introduced in September, 1957.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "In employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. The Census of June, 1954, may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revisions will affect the trends shown by the figures in Tables 1 to 8. Some revisions will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment shown for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Tables 7 and 8. Tables showing employment in individual classes of factory are not published pending review.

2. Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service) (Thousands)

	1956	1957					1958
		Jan.,	Sept.,	Oct.,	Nov.,	Dec.,	Jan.,
<u>MALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	1420.1	1415.4	1413.8	1413.9	1413.9	1412.5	1414.2
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	29.0	28.7	28.7	28.8	28.9	28.9	29.2
Other	133.6	135.3	137.4	137.9	138.3	138.7	140.5
State and Semi-Governmental	373.5	372.7	375.9	376.2	374.9	374.9	375.8
Local Government Bodies	66.4	65.4	65.9	66.0	65.9	66.5	66.4
2. Total Governmental	602.5	602.1	607.9	608.9	608.0	609.0	611.9
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2022.6	2017.5	2021.7	2022.8	2021.9	2021.5	2026.1
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	47.5	57.2	45.4	48.7	48.4	44.5	48.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2070.1	2074.7	2067.1	2071.5	2070.3	2066.0	2074.9
<u>FEMALES</u>							
1. In Private Employment	635.4	630.6	631.5	635.2	641.9	641.8	639.1
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	38.7	39.3	40.0	39.6	39.7	39.2	39.8
State and Semi-Governmental	77.2	76.2	80.6	80.6	80.5	80.1	80.0
Local Government Bodies	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.7
2. Total Governmental	128.4	128.1	133.2	133.0	133.1	132.1	132.7
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	763.8	758.7	764.7	768.2	775.0	773.9	771.8
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
5. Total, Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	765.7	760.6	766.5	770.0	776.8	775.7	773.6
<u>PERSONS</u>							
1. In Private Employment	2055.5	2046.0	2045.3	2049.1	2055.8	2054.3	2053.3
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	35.2	34.9	34.8	35.0	35.1	35.1	35.4
Other	172.3	174.6	177.4	177.5	178.0	177.9	180.3
State and Semi-Governmental	450.7	448.9	456.5	456.8	455.4	455.0	455.8
Local Government Bodies	72.7	71.8	72.4	72.6	72.6	73.1	73.1
2. Total Governmental	730.9	730.2	741.1	741.9	741.1	741.1	744.6
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2786.4	2776.2	2786.4	2791.0	2796.9	2795.4	2797.9
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	49.4	59.1	47.2	50.5	50.2	46.3	50.6
5. Total, Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2835.8	2835.3	2833.6	2841.5	2847.1	2841.7	2848.5

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence, Supply and Defence Production. (b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training but includes non-enlisted personnel.

I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a)1996.0	2021.9	2022.2	738.7	757.6	762.0	(a)2734.7	2779.5	2784.2
August	1999.6	2020.0	2018.1	740.9	756.3	762.3	2740.5	2776.3	2780.4
September	2003.1	2020.1	2021.7	743.9	757.0	764.7	2747.0	2777.1	2786.4
October	2001.7	2018.1	2022.8	747.8	759.3	768.2	2749.5	2777.4	2791.0
November	2012.4	2027.3	2021.9	756.1	765.5	775.0	2768.5	2792.8	2796.9
December	2012.9	2022.6	2021.5	758.2	763.8	773.9	2771.1	2786.4	2795.4
January	(a)1990.7	2017.5	2026.1	752.2	758.7	771.8	(a)2742.9	2776.2	2797.9
February	2018.8	2026.0		759.4	766.5		2778.2	2792.5	
March	2020.1	2029.0		762.2	768.8		2782.3	2797.8	
April	2025.4	2022.3		760.3	765.1		2785.7	2787.4	
May	2028.1	2026.3		760.6	764.5		2788.7	2790.8	
June	2025.9	2026.4		758.9	762.4		2784.8	2788.8	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	59.9	59.6	49.3	2.1	2.0	1.8	62.0	61.6	51.1
August	60.2	59.6	49.1	2.2	1.9	1.8	62.4	61.5	50.9
September	60.1	58.8	45.4	2.1	1.9	1.8	62.2	60.7	47.2
October	60.0	58.0	48.7	2.0	1.9	1.8	62.0	59.9	50.5
November	51.9	50.3	48.4	2.0	1.9	1.8	53.9	52.2	50.2
December	49.8	47.5	44.5	2.0	1.9	1.8	51.8	49.4	46.3
January	59.9	57.2	48.8	2.0	1.9	1.8	61.9	59.1	50.6
February	60.1	57.7		2.0	1.8		62.1	59.5	
March	58.4	55.1		1.9	1.8		60.3	56.9	
April	58.9	48.0		1.9	1.9		60.8	49.9	
May	58.6	46.8		2.0	1.9		60.6	48.7	
June	57.3	46.0		2.0	1.9		59.3	47.9	

(a) Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58
July	(a)2055.9	2081.5	2071.5	740.8	759.6	763.8	(a)2796.7	2841.1	2835.3
August	2059.8	2079.6	2067.2	743.1	758.2	764.1	2802.9	2837.8	2831.3
September	2063.2	2078.9	2067.1	746.0	758.9	766.5	2809.2	2837.8	2833.6
October	2061.7	2076.1	2071.5	749.8	761.2	770.0	2811.5	2837.3	2841.5
November	2064.3	2077.6	2070.3	758.1	767.4	776.8	2822.4	2845.0	2847.1
December	2062.7	2070.1	2066.0	760.2	765.7	775.7	2822.9	2835.8	2841.7
January	(a)2050.6	2074.7	2074.9	754.2	760.6	773.6	(a)2804.8	2835.3	2848.5
February	2078.9	2083.7		761.4	768.3		2840.3	2852.0	
March	2078.5	2084.1		764.1	770.6		2842.6	2854.7	
April	2084.3	2070.3		762.2	767.0		2846.5	2837.3	
May	2086.7	2073.1		762.6	766.4		2849.3	2839.5	
June	2083.2	2072.4		760.9	764.3		2844.1	2836.7	

(a) Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)								Defence Forces (b)	
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment		Total
1939	July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	12.9
1941	July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	70.8	485.4	556.2	446.1	1,473.5	1,919.6	284.6
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1,391.4	1,913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1,273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1,364.7	1,913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1,275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1,368.6	1,907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1,296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1,390.7	1,915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1,071.5	1,506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1,573.5	2,102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1,177.4	1,649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1,704.9	2,269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1,236.9	1,730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1,786.0	2,374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1,268.2	1,787.1	99.2	564.9	664.1	618.1	1,833.1	2,451.2	33.6
1950	June	554.3	1,304.4	1,858.7	107.7	580.5	688.2	662.0	1,884.9	2,546.9	33.7
1951	June	571.2	1,340.3	1,911.5	113.9	604.9	718.8	685.1	1,945.2	2,630.3	44.3
1952	June (d)	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	115.3	564.1	679.4	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	69.4
1953	June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	112.0	561.7	673.7	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	67.4
1954	June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	114.5	593.0	707.5	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	62.1
1955	June	599.1	1,401.4	2,000.5	122.8	615.7	738.5	721.9	2,017.1	2,739.0	59.8
1956	June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
1957	June	609.5	1,416.9	2,026.4	132.8	629.6	762.4	742.3	2,046.5	2,788.8	47.9
1955	December	596.3	1,416.6	2,012.9	124.0	634.2	758.2	720.3	2,050.8	2,771.1	51.8
1956	Jan. (e)	595.3	1,395.4	1,990.7	123.9	628.3	752.2	719.2	2,023.7	2,742.9	61.9
	February	597.5	1,421.3	2,018.8	127.3	632.1	759.4	724.8	2,053.4	2,778.2	62.1
	March	598.9	1,421.2	2,020.1	128.7	633.5	762.2	727.6	2,054.7	2,782.3	60.3
	April	601.1	1,424.3	2,025.4	129.3	631.0	760.3	730.4	2,055.3	2,785.7	60.8
	May	603.6	1,424.5	2,028.1	129.7	630.9	760.6	733.3	2,055.4	2,788.7	60.6
	June	604.9	1,421.0	2,025.9	129.8	629.1	758.9	734.7	2,050.1	2,784.8	59.3
	July	605.7	1,416.2	2,021.9	130.8	626.8	757.6	736.5	2,043.0	2,779.5	61.6
	August	605.7	1,414.3	2,020.0	130.6	625.7	756.3	736.3	2,040.0	2,776.3	61.5
	September	604.0	1,416.1	2,020.1	129.9	627.1	757.0	733.9	2,043.2	2,777.1	60.7
	October	601.6	1,416.5	2,018.1	129.3	630.0	759.3	730.9	2,046.5	2,777.4	59.9
	November	602.6	1,424.7	2,027.3	129.6	635.9	765.5	732.2	2,060.6	2,792.8	52.2
	December	602.5	1,420.1	2,022.6	128.4	635.4	763.8	730.9	2,055.5	2,786.4	49.4
1957	January	602.1	1,415.4	2,017.5	128.1	630.6	758.7	730.2	2,046.0	2,776.2	59.1
	February	605.0	1,421.0	2,026.0	131.2	635.3	766.5	736.2	2,056.3	2,792.5	59.5
	March	605.2	1,423.8	2,029.0	131.4	637.4	768.8	736.6	2,061.2	2,797.8	56.9
	April	606.9	1,415.4	2,022.3	132.4	632.7	765.1	739.3	2,048.1	2,787.4	49.9
	May	609.2	1,417.1	2,026.3	132.6	631.9	764.5	741.8	2,049.0	2,790.8	48.7
	June	609.5	1,416.9	2,026.4	132.8	629.6	762.4	742.3	2,046.5	2,788.8	47.9
	July	609.6	1,412.6	2,022.2	133.7	628.3	762.0	743.3	2,040.9	2,784.2	51.1
	August	608.1	1,410.0	2,018.1	133.6	628.7	762.3	741.7	2,038.7	2,780.4	50.9
	September	607.9	1,413.8	2,021.7	133.2	631.5	764.7	741.1	2,045.3	2,786.4	47.2
	October	608.9	1,413.9	2,022.8	133.0	635.2	768.2	741.9	2,049.1	2,791.0	50.5
	November	608.0	1,413.9	2,021.9	133.1	641.9	775.0	741.1	2,055.8	2,796.9	50.2
	December	609.0	1,412.5	2,021.5	132.1	641.8	773.9	741.1	2,054.3	2,795.4	46.3
1958	January	611.9	1,414.2	2,026.1	132.7	639.1	771.8	744.6	2,053.3	2,797.9	50.6

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia. (b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951. (e) Affected by industrial disputes.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1951	June, 1952	June, 1953	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	December, 1957	January, 1958
MALES									
New South Wales	758.2	754.4	734.3	758.1	779.2	787.8	789.5	790.2	791.1
Victoria	525.8	524.4	521.6	539.7	556.7	564.2	565.0	568.3	570.2
Queensland	259.3	258.1	255.2	263.7	272.0	276.0	275.8	266.2	266.5
South Australia	170.0	171.5	170.6	176.0	178.7	184.5	182.9	182.1	183.1
Western Australia	125.3	126.0	130.2	135.0	136.4	135.5	133.6	134.2	134.2
Tasmania	60.2	61.0	61.8	62.8	64.0	64.4	65.2	65.5	66.1
Northern Territory	4.6	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.4
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.1	8.3	8.5	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.5	9.5
Australia:	1911.5	1908.1	1886.8	1948.4	2000.5	2025.9	2026.4	2021.5	2026.1
FEMALES									
New South Wales	290.9	270.5	266.2	279.5	292.5	300.2	302.2	310.2	307.5
Victoria	219.6	206.6	205.9	217.7	227.0	233.0	233.4	234.8	235.9
Queensland	86.1	83.8	83.7	86.1	89.3	91.2	92.8	92.6	92.0
South Australia	57.0	54.9	53.4	56.9	60.2	62.9	62.8	63.5	64.3
Western Australia	41.6	40.5	41.0	42.8	43.9	44.6	44.2	45.7	44.9
Tasmania	20.3	19.8	20.1	21.0	21.7	22.8	22.6	22.6	22.6
Northern Territory	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4
Australia:	718.8	679.4	673.7	707.5	738.5	758.9	762.4	773.9	771.8
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1049.1	1024.9	1000.5	1037.6	1071.7	1088.0	1091.7	1100.4	1098.6
Victoria	745.4	731.0	727.5	757.4	783.7	797.2	798.4	803.1	806.1
Queensland	345.4	341.9	338.9	349.8	361.3	367.2	368.6	358.8	358.5
South Australia	227.0	226.4	224.0	232.9	238.9	247.4	245.7	245.6	247.4
Western Australia	166.9	166.5	171.2	177.8	180.3	180.1	177.8	179.9	179.1
Tasmania	80.5	80.8	81.9	83.8	85.7	87.2	87.8	88.1	88.7
Northern Territory	5.4	5.2	5.5	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.7	6.6
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.6	10.8	11.0	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	12.8	12.9
Australia:	2630.3	2587.5	2560.5	2655.9	2739.0	2784.8	2788.8	2795.4	2797.9

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, JANUARY, 1958.

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total		M	F	M	F	M	F	P
	M	F	M	F	M	F							
New South Wales	9.1	1.0	49.0	14.3	58.1	15.3	133.0	27.7	26.6	3.0	217.7	46.0	263.7
Victoria	14.5	4.1	37.5	11.2	52.0	15.3	98.3	24.7	13.5	1.9	163.8	41.9	205.7
Queensland	1.1	0.2	17.3	4.7	18.4	4.9	53.6	7.9	17.3	0.9	89.3	13.7	103.0
South Australia	3.6	0.7	13.1	3.0	16.7	3.7	38.8	9.9	3.2	0.3	58.7	13.9	72.6
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	8.8	2.2	9.4	2.3	37.9	6.0	3.5	0.4	50.8	8.7	59.5
Tasmania	0.1	0.1	4.7	1.2	4.8	1.3	14.2	3.8	2.2	0.2	21.2	5.3	26.5
Northern Territory	0.1	..	2.6	0.7	2.7	0.7	..	..	0.1	..	2.8	0.7	3.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	..	7.5	2.5	7.6	2.5	..	..	..	..	7.6	2.5	10.1
Total : January 1958	29.2	6.2	140.5	39.8	169.7	46.0	375.8	80.0	66.4	6.7	611.9	132.7	744.6
Total : December 1957	28.9	6.2	138.7	39.2	167.6	45.4	374.9	80.1	66.5	6.6	609.0	132.1	741.1

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page.

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - JANUARY, 1958.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)
 (Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
 (Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (f)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.5	5.4	1.7	2.5	2.1	25.5
Mining and Quarrying	27.0	4.4	9.2	1.7	7.5	3.0	53.3
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	301.0	228.5	69.9	70.2	35.0	21.4	726.0
Other (b)	27.6	19.4	10.6	2.7	2.6	0.8	65.0
Total Manufacturing:	328.6	247.9	80.5	72.9	37.6	22.2	791.0
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	70.1	48.5	34.1	18.7	14.4	9.0	198.5
Road Transport	35.9	21.9	14.3	7.2	4.6	2.5	86.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	16.1	11.0	8.8	5.6	5.2	2.3	49.1
Rail and Air Transport	37.4	22.1	21.6	9.8	10.3	2.4	104.2
Communication	27.1	19.3	9.9	6.2	4.9	2.2	70.2
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	25.5	19.8	8.5	5.5	4.0	1.6	65.0
Retail Trade	52.1	39.1	15.8	12.5	9.7	3.6	133.1
Wholesale and Other Commerce	51.5	45.0	21.4	15.4	13.6	4.7	152.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	37.5	29.2	11.9	8.3	7.5	3.9	103.1
Other Industries (g)	74.2	56.5	25.1	17.6	12.4	6.6	194.4
TOTAL MALES:	791.1	570.2	266.5	183.1	134.2	66.1	2026.1
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	98.0	88.4	13.4	17.2	5.9	4.9	227.8
Other (b)	1.1	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	..	7.6
Total Manufacturing:	99.1	90.8	16.3	17.3	6.8	4.9	235.4
Rail and Air Transport	3.8	2.0	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.2
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.4	3.7	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.3	12.0
Communication	7.6	5.7	2.8	1.9	1.0	1.0	20.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	19.9	12.7	5.0	3.6	2.4	1.0	44.7
Retail Trade	47.4	33.8	16.7	12.4	10.6	4.2	125.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.3	12.9	7.1	4.1	3.4	1.0	47.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.1	7.6	4.5	1.8	2.0	1.0	29.6
Other Industries (g)	95.9	66.7	36.5	21.5	17.8	9.1	249.4
TOTAL FEMALES:	307.5	235.9	92.0	64.3	44.9	22.6	771.8
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.2	5.6	5.4	1.7	2.5	2.1	25.7
Mining and Quarrying	27.3	4.5	9.5	1.8	7.7	3.1	54.4
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	399.0	316.9	83.3	87.4	40.9	26.3	953.8
Other (b)	28.7	21.8	13.5	2.8	3.5	0.8	72.6
Total Manufacturing:	427.7	338.7	96.8	90.2	44.4	27.1	1026.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	72.5	50.0	34.7	19.2	14.7	9.1	203.9
Road Transport	39.2	25.0	15.9	8.0	4.9	2.7	96.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	17.2	11.6	9.1	5.8	5.4	2.4	51.7
Rail and Air Transport	41.2	24.1	22.8	10.5	10.7	2.5	112.4
Communication	34.7	25.0	12.7	8.1	5.9	3.2	90.2
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	45.4	32.5	13.5	9.1	6.4	2.6	109.7
Retail Trade	99.5	72.9	32.5	24.9	20.3	7.8	258.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	69.8	57.9	28.5	19.5	17.0	5.7	199.0
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	48.6	36.8	16.4	10.1	9.5	4.9	132.7
Other Industries (g)	167.3	121.5	60.7	38.5	29.7	15.5	437.1
TOTAL PERSONS:	1098.6	806.1	358.5	247.4	179.1	88.7	2797.9

For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and in Private Domestic Service)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	December, 1956	January, 1957	October, 1957	November, 1957	December, 1957	January, 1958
MALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.6	25.5	25.2	25.3	25.4	25.5
<u>Mining -</u>						
Gold	7.4	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.2	10.2	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.6
Coal	26.5	26.1	24.4	24.5	24.4	24.4
Other (including Quarries)	13.1	13.1	13.0	12.6	12.5	12.2
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	57.2	56.8	54.3	53.9	53.6	53.3
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	715.3	715.0	724.3	724.5	722.0	726.0
Other (b)	64.0	64.1	64.6	64.5	64.6	65.0
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	779.3	779.1	788.9	789.0	786.6	791.0
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	97.1	96.5	89.0	86.6	84.1	84.9
Other (d)	113.1	112.8	113.1	112.8	113.0	113.6
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	210.2	209.3	202.1	199.4	197.1	198.5
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	85.8	86.0	85.9	86.0	86.1	86.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.1	51.1	48.9	47.6	48.5	49.1
Rail and Air Transport	107.4	106.5	105.8	104.8	104.3	104.2
Communication	65.9	66.9	68.6	68.9	69.0	70.2
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	310.2	310.5	309.2	307.3	307.9	310.2
<u>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</u>						
	61.9	62.8	63.9	63.9	64.3	65.0
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	125.1	125.1	125.5	125.9	125.9	126.1
Primary Produce Agencies	27.1	27.1	25.9	26.8	26.7	25.9
Retail Trade	134.8	130.2	130.8	134.0	136.2	133.1
<u>Total Commerce</u>	287.0	282.4	283.2	286.7	288.8	285.1
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	100.9	101.1	102.1	102.4	102.8	103.1
<u>Other</u>						
Law and Order	21.4	21.5	22.3	22.4	22.4	22.6
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	26.9	27.0	27.4	27.3	27.3	26.9
Education	40.8	40.3	43.1	43.1	43.0	42.9
Other Professional	14.3	14.5	14.8	14.7	14.6	14.8
Entertainment, Sport	19.4	19.4	19.6	19.5	19.5	19.5
Personal Service (e)	56.1	55.9	55.3	55.6	56.8	56.3
<u>Total Other</u>	190.3	190.0	193.9	194.0	195.0	194.4
TOTAL :	2022.6	2017.5	2022.8	2021.9	2021.5	2026.1
FEMALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying</u>	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	224.8	226.0	227.4	227.8	226.3	227.8
Other (b)	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.5	7.6
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	232.2	233.4	234.9	235.2	233.8	235.4
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4
<u>Transport and Communication</u>						
Road Transport	9.3	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6
Rail and Air Transport	8.6	8.5	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.2
Communication	19.5	19.8	19.9	20.2	19.7	20.0
<u>Total Transport, etc.</u>	39.9	40.2	39.9	40.2	39.6	40.2

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TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA (Continued)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	December, 1956	January, 1957	October, 1957	November, 1957	December, 1957	January, 1958
FEMALES (Continued)						
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	41.7	43.0	43.3	43.4	43.6	44.7
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	40.2	40.3	40.8	40.8	40.7	40.8
Primary Produce Agencies	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Retail Trade	130.0	122.9	123.9	129.9	131.2	125.5
Total Commerce	176.3	169.4	170.9	176.9	178.1	172.5
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	28.9	29.1	29.5	29.6	29.4	29.6
Other -						
Law and Order	9.8	9.9	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.2
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	77.8	77.8	80.3	80.2	79.7	80.4
Education	50.5	48.9	53.7	53.6	53.3	52.6
Other Professional	10.4	10.5	10.5	10.4	10.4	10.5
Entertainment, Sport	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5
Personal Service (e)	71.3	71.4	69.9	70.1	70.7	70.5
Total Other	238.2	237.0	243.0	243.0	242.8	242.7
TOTAL :	763.8	758.7	768.2	775.0	773.9	771.8

PERSONS

Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	25.8	25.7	25.4	25.5	25.6	25.7
Mining -						
Gold	7.6	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.2
Silver, Lead, Zinc	10.5	10.5	10.1	10.0	9.9	9.9
Coal	26.7	26.3	24.6	24.7	24.6	24.6
Other (including Quarries)	13.6	13.6	13.5	13.1	13.0	12.7
Total Mining and Quarrying	58.4	58.0	55.5	55.1	54.7	54.4
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	940.1	941.0	951.7	952.3	948.3	953.8
Other (b)	71.4	71.5	72.1	71.9	72.1	72.6
Total Manufacturing	1011.5	1012.5	1023.8	1024.2	1020.4	1026.4
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	99.9	99.3	91.9	89.5	87.0	87.8
Other (d)	115.5	115.2	115.5	115.2	115.4	116.1
Total Building and Construction	215.4	214.5	207.4	204.7	202.4	203.9
Transport and Communication						
Road Transport	95.1	95.4	95.1	95.2	95.3	96.1
Shipping and Stevedoring	53.6	53.6	51.4	50.1	51.1	51.7
Rail and Air Transport	116.0	115.0	114.1	113.1	112.4	112.4
Communication	85.4	86.7	88.5	89.1	88.7	90.2
Total Transport, etc.	350.1	350.7	349.1	347.5	347.5	350.4
Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)	103.6	105.8	107.2	107.3	107.9	109.7
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	165.3	165.4	166.3	166.7	166.6	166.9
Primary Produce Agencies	33.2	33.3	33.1	33.0	32.9	32.1
Retail Trade	264.8	253.1	254.7	263.9	267.4	258.6
Total Commerce	463.3	451.8	454.1	463.6	466.9	457.6
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	129.8	130.2	131.6	132.0	132.2	132.7
Other -						
Law and Order	31.2	31.4	32.5	32.7	32.7	32.8
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	104.7	104.8	107.7	107.5	107.0	107.3
Education	91.3	89.2	96.8	96.7	96.3	95.5
Other Professional	24.7	25.0	25.3	25.1	25.0	25.3
Entertainment, Sport	28.8	28.9	29.0	28.9	28.9	29.0
Personal Service (e)	127.4	127.3	125.2	125.7	127.5	126.8
Total Other	428.5	427.0	436.9	437.0	437.8	437.1
TOTAL :	2786.4	2776.2	2791.0	2796.9	2795.4	2797.9

For notes see page 8.

NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published in the annual bulletin, Secondary Industries. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. Revision will be necessary in the estimates herein to numbers of employees in factories since June, 1948, within the above definition. A new series of returns was instituted as from January, 1952, which shows the same approximate trend as the figures herein since that date. A survey of the results obtained from this series is presented in Section III.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling or distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Entertainment, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further ".....the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact, the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 and 11 are totals for all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland states. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a):

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1957 : January	374,650	119,970	494,620	..	..	..
February	379,427	122,394	501,821	+1.3	+2.0	+1.5
March	380,826	123,139	503,965	+0.4	+0.6	+0.4
April	379,360	119,932	499,292	-0.4	-2.6	-0.9
May	380,894	118,109	499,003	+0.4	-1.5	-0.1
June	381,572	117,083	498,655	+0.2	-0.9	-0.1
July	381,445	116,652	498,097	-	-0.4	-0.1
August	382,075	116,780	498,855	+0.2	+0.1	+0.2
September	383,553	117,096	500,649	+0.4	+0.3	+0.4
October	383,214	118,152	501,366	-0.1	+0.9	+0.1
November	383,114	118,470	501,584	-	+0.3	-
December	382,214	118,937	501,151	-0.2	+0.4	-0.1
1958 : January	★384,981	★120,844	★505,825	+0.7	+1.6	+0.9
February	387,022	123,014	510,036	+0.5	+1.8	+0.8

(a) As the number of reporting factories in the collection varies from year to year, the figures in Tables 9 to 13 are not comparable with those published in Bulletins prior to No. 193, December, 1957. The figures now published for 1957 have been adjusted to make them comparable with the 1958 collection. ★ Revised.

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a):

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1957			1958		Dec., '57- Jan., '58	Jan., '58- Feb., '58
	January,	February,	December,	January,	February,		
MALES							
New South Wales	151,627	152,939	155,126	155,898	156,985	+0.5	+0.7
Victoria	116,194	116,874	119,943	121,318	121,557	+1.1	+2.0
Queensland	35,142	38,006	35,603	★35,882	36,890	+0.8	+2.8
South Australia	40,488	40,473	39,782	39,994	39,904	+0.5	-0.2
Western Australia	17,884	17,960	18,074	18,063	17,885	-0.1	-1.0
Tasmania	13,315	13,175	13,686	★13,826	13,801	★+1.0	-0.2
TOTAL:	374,650	379,427	382,214	★384,981	387,022	+0.7	+0.5
FEMALES							
New South Wales	46,216	46,955	47,355	46,952	48,085	-0.9	+2.4
Victoria	46,338	47,925	46,325	47,871	48,741	+3.3	+1.8
Queensland	8,591	9,006	8,310	8,147	8,655	-2.0	+6.2
South Australia	10,889	10,681	9,402	10,173	9,875	+8.2	-2.9
Western Australia	3,568	3,589	3,539	3,472	3,492	-1.9	+0.6
Tasmania	4,368	4,238	4,006	★4,229	4,166	★+5.6	-1.5
TOTAL:	119,970	122,394	118,937	★120,844	123,014	+1.6	+1.8
PERSONS							
New South Wales	197,843	199,894	202,481	202,850	205,070	+0.2	+1.1
Victoria	162,532	164,799	166,268	169,189	170,298	+1.8	+0.7
Queensland	43,733	47,012	43,913	★44,029	45,545	★+0.3	+3.4
South Australia	51,377	51,154	49,184	50,167	49,779	+2.0	-0.8
Western Australia	21,452	21,549	21,613	21,535	21,377	-0.4	-0.7
Tasmania	17,683	17,413	17,692	★18,055	17,967	★+2.1	-0.5
TOTAL:	494,620	501,821	501,151	★505,825	510,036	+0.9	+0.8

(a) See note to Table 9.

★ Revised.

TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, (a) EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1957 : January	325,531	101,044	426,575	..	..	..
February	327,723	101,723	429,446	+0.7	+0.7	+0.7
March	328,599	102,150	430,749	+0.3	+0.4	+0.3
April	328,150	101,955	430,105	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1
May	328,473	101,472	429,945	+0.1	-0.5	-
June	328,389	101,058	429,447	-	-0.4	-0.1
July	328,515	101,106	429,621	-	-	-
August	329,103	101,561	430,664	+0.2	+0.5	+0.2
September	330,632	101,937	432,569	+0.5	+0.4	+0.4
October	331,084	102,568	433,652	+0.1	+0.6	+0.3
November	332,314	102,826	435,140	+0.4	+0.3	+0.3
December	332,694	102,222	434,916	+0.1	-0.6	-0.1
1958 : January	★334,776	101,892	★436,668	+0.6	-0.3	+0.4
February	335,809	102,761	438,570	+0.3	+0.9	+0.4

(a) See note to Table 9.

★ Revised.

TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, (a) EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed excluding Food Factories					Percentage movement in employment	
	1957			1958		Dec., '57- Jan., '58	Jan., '58- Feb., '58
	January,	February,	December,	January,	February,		
MALES							
New South Wales	137,632	138,837	141,135	142,087	142,988	+0.7	+0.6
Victoria	101,389	101,889	104,671	105,399	105,598	+0.7	+0.2
Queensland	24,922	25,082	24,819	★25,130	25,145	★+1.3	+0.1
South Australia	35,564	35,663	35,169	35,165	35,113	-	-0.1
Western Australia	15,401	15,569	15,608	15,672	15,587	+0.4	-0.5
Tasmania	10,623	10,683	11,292	★11,323	11,378	★+0.3	+0.5
TOTAL:	325,531	327,723	332,694	★334,776	335,809	+0.6	+0.3
FEMALES							
New South Wales	40,052	40,438	41,094	41,144	41,626	+0.1	+1.2
Victoria	40,592	40,729	41,168	40,964	41,284	-0.5	+0.8
Queensland	7,076	7,030	6,807	6,671	6,759	-2.0	+1.3
South Australia	7,548	7,753	7,521	7,526	7,517	+0.1	-0.1
Western Australia	2,717	2,728	2,680	2,639	2,631	-1.5	-0.3
Tasmania	3,059	3,045	2,952	2,948	2,944	-0.1	-0.1
TOTAL:	101,044	101,723	102,222	101,892	102,761	-0.3	+0.9
PERSONS							
New South Wales	177,684	179,275	182,229	183,231	184,614	+0.5	+0.8
Victoria	141,981	142,618	145,839	146,363	146,882	+0.4	+0.4
Queensland	31,998	32,112	31,626	★31,801	31,904	★+0.6	+0.3
South Australia	43,112	43,416	42,690	42,691	42,630	-	-0.1
Western Australia	18,118	18,297	18,288	18,311	18,218	+0.1	-0.5
Tasmania	13,682	13,728	14,244	★14,271	14,322	★+0.2	+0.4
TOTAL:	426,575	429,446	434,916	★436,668	438,570	+0.4	+0.4

(a) See note to Table 9.

★ Revised.

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a) : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING						
Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	February, 1957	December, 1957	January, 1958	February, 1958	Dec., '57- Jan., '58	Jan., '58- Feb., '58
MALES						
1. Building Materials	33,610	33,628	33,759	33,895	+ 0.4	+0.4
2. Basic Metals	41,142	42,633	43,018	43,076	+ 0.9	+0.1
3. Transportation Equipment	56,306	57,449	58,059	58,267	+ 1.1	+0.4
4. Other Metal Manufactures	83,826	86,048	86,438	86,463	+ 0.5	-
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	19,483	19,252	19,723	20,106	+ 2.4	+1.9
6. Clothing and Textiles	33,344	32,551	32,644	32,717	+ 0.3	+0.2
7. Food	49,212	47,126	47,702	48,790	+ 1.2	+2.3
8. All Other	49,329	49,841	49,812	49,907	- 0.1	+0.2
Total - All Groups	366,252	368,528	371,155	373,221	+ 0.7	+0.6
Total - Excluding Food	317,040	321,402	323,453	324,431	+ 0.6	+0.3
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	3,077	3,122	3,076	3,079	- 1.5	+0.1
2. Basic Metals	2,123	2,183	2,201	2,223	+ 0.8	+1.0
3. Transportation Equipment	4,931	5,120	5,134	5,187	+ 0.3	+1.0
4. Other Metal Manufactures	19,091	20,465	20,442	20,644	- 0.1	+1.0
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,433	4,497	4,516	4,532	+ 0.4	+0.4
6. Clothing and Textiles	51,955	50,844	50,840	51,295	-	+0.9
7. Food	19,478	15,661	17,671	19,031	+12.8	+7.7
8. All Other	13,068	13,039	12,735	12,857	- 2.3	+1.0
Total - All Groups	118,156	114,931	116,615	118,848	+ 1.5	+1.9
Total - Excluding Food	98,678	99,270	98,944	99,817	- 0.3	+0.9

(a) See note to Table 9.

* Revised.

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)
Revised Series (Seasonally adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1955 -		
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Sept. Quarter	2,689	2,806
1947-48	1,164	1,206	Dec. "	2,731	2,849
1948-49	1,322	1,365	1956 -		
1949-50	1,451	1,505	March "	2,749	2,859
1950-51	1,742	1,810	June "	2,801	2,897
1951-52	2,145	2,213	Sept. "	2,863	2,968
1952-53	2,350	2,394	Dec. "	2,903	2,996
1953-54	2,462	2,511	1957 -		
1954-55	2,571	2,685	March "	2,910	2,983
1955-56	2,743	2,853	June "	2,921	2,986
1956-57	2,899	2,984	Sept. "	2,975	3,016
			Dec. "	2,996	(c)

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. (c) Not available.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. They do not, however, give at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1955-56 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1956 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1950-51	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1954-55	17,357	12,221	5,398	3,839	2,731	1,365	42,911
1955-56	18,955	13,358	5,809	4,195	2,897	1,476	46,690
1956-57	20,167	14,111	6,218	4,387	2,979	1,596	49,458
1954-55							
June Quarter	18,235	12,916	5,619	4,033	2,813	1,492	45,108
1955-56							
September Quarter	18,454	12,890	5,765	4,097	2,844	1,414	45,464
December "	19,683	13,664	6,034	4,267	2,980	1,462	48,090
March "	18,229	12,832	5,435	4,057	2,849	1,442	44,844
June "	19,453	14,045	6,002	4,359	2,915	1,587	48,361
1956-57							
September Quarter	19,613	13,877	6,145	4,364	3,003	1,529	48,531
December "	21,038	14,627	6,584	4,497	3,011	1,610	51,367
March "	19,420	13,500	5,837	4,231	2,899	1,584	47,471
June "	20,595	14,441	6,304	4,456	3,005	1,660	50,461
1957-58							
September Quarter	20,493	14,372	6,356	4,495	3,101	1,548	50,365
December "	21,896	15,343	6,675	4,672	3,176	1,644	53,406
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1950-51	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1954-55	16.96	17.06	14.51	16.09	15.55	15.60	16.42
1955-56	18.16	18.22	15.34	17.10	16.37	16.66	17.51
1956-57	19.20	19.13	16.24	17.70	17.02	17.73	18.43
1954-55							
June Quarter	17.64	17.81	14.90	16.73	15.92	16.76	17.07
1955-56							
September Quarter	17.79	17.75	15.16	16.98	16.12	16.11	17.16
December "	18.83	18.68	15.89	17.49	16.82	16.65	18.04
March "	17.46	17.43	14.54	16.43	16.08	16.25	16.81
June "	18.57	19.00	15.75	17.51	16.45	17.61	18.02
1956-57							
September Quarter	18.75	18.87	15.97	17.63	17.14	17.15	18.12
December "	20.01	19.84	17.14	18.20	17.19	18.04	19.13
March "	18.45	18.27	15.37	17.01	16.57	17.43	17.67
June "	19.60	19.54	16.46	17.94	17.18	18.30	18.87
1957-58							
September Quarter	19.51	19.48	16.54	18.16	17.80	17.37	18.77
December "	20.74	20.67	17.64	18.87	18.12	18.39	19.86

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory.
 (c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences. The series is subject to revision based on the results of the 1954 Census.

TABLE 16 - AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for classified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
30TH SEPTEMBER, 1957							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	365	346	326	340	362	352	351
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	349	338	355	334	362	354	345
III. Food, Drink, etc.	354	356	321	350	352	363	348
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	341	344	352	352	358	338	344
V. Books, Printing, etc.	401	392	379	378	414	397	394
VI. Other Manufacturing	354	341	325	341	350	357	346
VII. Building	397	384	362	361	386	369	384
VIII. Mining (c)	358	352	342	332	375	347	356
IX. Rail and Tram Services	372	360	345	339	360	374	360
X. Other Land Transport	352	328	313	321	350	338	337
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	373	375	372	372	373	374	373
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	424	383	364	375	389	403	395
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	337	330	297	308	327	322	326
XIV. Miscellaneous	349	339	313	317	341	335	337
All Groups (b):	371	355	339	344	364	364	359

31ST DECEMBER, 1957

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	365	346	326	340	362	352	351
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	349	338	355	334	362	354	345
III. Food, Drink, etc.	354	356	321	350	352	363	348
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	341	344	352	352	358	338	344
V. Books, Printing, etc.	401	392	379	378	414	397	394
VI. Other Manufacturing	355	342	325	341	351	357	346
VII. Building	397	384	363	361	386	369	384
VIII. Mining (c)	358	352	343	332	375	347	356
IX. Rail and Tram Services	372	360	345	339	360	374	360
X. Other Land Transport	352	328	314	321	350	338	337
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	373	375	372	372	373	374	373
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc. (e)	424	383	364	375	389	403	395
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	337	330	297	308	327	322	326
XIV. Miscellaneous	349	339	313	319	341	335	338
All Groups (b):	371	355	339	345	364	364	359

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry.

(d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than master, officers, and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

(e) Partly estimated.

TABLE 17 - AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATES INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1945	136	133	133	124	138	127	133
" " 1946	146	143	142	132	141	137	143
" " 1947	168	153	139	152	155	149	158
" " 1948	192	188	179	183	190	184	188
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
30th September, 1956	379	372	350	349	380	369	370
31st December, 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st March, 1957	385	372	356	349	387	369	374
30th June, 1957	388	379	357	362	390	378	379
30th September, 1957	389	379	359	362	395	378	380
31st December, 1957	390	379	359	363	395	378	380

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 18 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT : STATES

Compiled from information furnished by the Department of Social Services on the operation of the Unemployment and Sickness Benefits Act 1944 (from 1st July, 1947, Part VII of the Social Services Act 1947-1956) which came into effect on 1st July, 1945. From June, 1951 onwards, figures are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each Month (a)

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1947 June	1,400	667	3,231	105	761	44	5,981	227	6,208
1948 June	339	66	1,173	20	212	28	1,718	120	1,838
1949 May	222	33	809	12	91	29	1,102	94	1,196
1950 June	335	151	568	32	108	32	998	228	1,226
1951 June (d)	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June (e)	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1957 March	4,322	2,771	3,802	481	1,607	94	10,702	2,375	13,077
April	5,244	3,772	3,876	631	1,804	126	12,665	2,788	15,453
May	5,385	4,057	3,009	835	1,803	236	12,397	2,928	15,325
June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
July	7,333	5,887	2,411	1,345	2,772	543	16,148	4,143	20,291
August	7,898	5,618	2,216	1,320	2,458	665	16,103	4,072	20,175
September	7,196	5,271	2,458	1,235	2,119	695	14,948	4,026	18,974
October	6,463	4,661	2,585	1,242	2,075	662	13,859	3,829	17,688
November	7,029	4,390	4,450	1,420	1,865	594	15,571	4,177	19,748
December	8,955	4,695	7,801	1,570	2,393	591	21,851	4,154	26,005
1958 January	9,872	4,974	9,357	1,522	2,596	434	24,273	4,482	28,755
February	9,620	4,085	9,431	1,444	2,257	326	22,141	5,022	27,163

(a) Last Saturday of Month. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) From May, 1951 to September, 1952, the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet. (e) From October, 1952, the figures represent the number actually on benefit.

VI. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

Comparative figures for earlier years and explanations of terms used in this Section will be found in Chapter IV of Labour Report No. 43, 1954

TABLE 19 : INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK)(a) INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES

Year Ended 31st December, 1957 (b)(c)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (d)
Numer of Disputes							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	56	9	5	1	-	1	72
III. Food, Drink, etc.	2	6	24	-	1	-	33
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
V. Books, Printing, etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
VI. Other Manufacturing	49	3	3	-	1	2	58
VII. Building	39	7	2	1	-	-	50
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	461	-	54	-	2	1	518
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	4	-	1	1	-	-	7
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	26	3	4	1	-	1	35
X. Air and Other Land Transport	17	-	-	-	-	-	17
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	90	17	125	9	9	30	285
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
XIV. Miscellaneous	13	1	3	-	1	1	23
Total:	761	47	221	13	14	36	1,103

Workers Involved

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	10,448	476	1,157	7	-	5	12,093
III. Food, Drink, etc.	2,592	937	7,957	-	20	-	11,506
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	242	-	-	-	-	242
V. Books, Printing, etc.	169	-	-	-	-	-	169
VI. Other Manufacturing	15,832	312	225	-	130	175	16,674
VII. Building	30,556	1,347	555	32	-	-	32,562
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	106,734	-	3,449	-	226	36	110,446
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	3,049	-	372	80	-	-	3,741
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	4,967	421	481	859	-	202	6,930
X. Air and Other Land Transport	23,637	-	-	-	-	-	32,637
XI. Shipping, Warf Labour, etc.	59,069	5,396	33,323	5,303	4,509	6,790	114,931
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	174	-	-	-	-	-	174
XIV. Miscellaneous	1,764	50	215	-	467	27	3,938
Total:	258,991	9,181	47,734	6,281	5,352	7,236	337,043

Working Days Lost

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	109,353	1,734	9,610	18	-	23	120,738
III. Food, Drink, etc.	13,953	2,087	17,689	-	40	-	33,769
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	2,178	-	-	-	-	2,178
V. Books, Printing, etc.	338	-	-	-	-	-	338
VI. Other Manufacturing	44,240	2,623	840	-	130	525	48,358
VII. Building	42,581	1,441	820	48	-	-	45,907
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	181,602	-	23,398	-	1,746	231	206,977
(ii) Other Mining, Quarries, etc.	3,441	-	1,488	40	-	-	5,209
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	3,674	85	478	320	-	1,029	5,586
X. Air and Other Land Transport	24,665	-	-	-	-	-	24,665
XI. Shipping, Warf Labour, etc.	79,337	3,281	40,397	3,277	919	3,508	132,392
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	429	-	-	-	-	-	429
XIV. Miscellaneous	2,297	15	580	-	233	14	3,667
Total:	505,910	13,444	95,300	3,703	3,068	5,330	630,213

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.
 (b) Subject to revision. (c) Includes particulars of two disputes, one in New South Wales and the other in Western Australia, which commenced in 1956 and continued into 1957.
 (d) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 19 - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (INVOLVING STOPPAGE OF WORK)(a): INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES

Year Ended 31st December, 1957 (b)(c)

(Continued)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (d)
Estimated Loss in Wages (£)							
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	384,237	8,498	31,397	65	-	81	424,278
III. Food, Drink, etc.	49,173	8,369	65,762	-	200	-	123,504
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	-	5,691	-	-	-	-	5,691
V. Books, Printing, etc.	382	-	-	-	-	-	382
VI. Other Manufacturing	174,786	7,336	2,319	-	500	1,716	186,657
VII. Building	149,739	4,433	4,229	136	-	-	162,153
VIII. (i) Coal Mining	660,024	-	94,040	-	6,245	800	761,109
(ii) Other Mining Quarries, etc.	23,656	-	5,200	100	-	-	30,356
IX. Railway and Tramway Services	11,097	318	1,609	805	-	3,415	17,244
X. Air and Other Land Transport	119,102	-	-	-	-	-	119,102
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc.	278,333	10,873	141,516	11,465	3,218	12,282	463,543
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	1,055	-	-	-	-	-	1,055
XIV. Miscellaneous	8,517	58	2,350	-	638	-	13,548
Total:	1,860,101	45,576	348,422	12,571	10,801	18,294	2,308,622

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(b) Subject to revision. (c) Includes particulars of two disputes, one in New South Wales and the other in Western Australia, which commenced in 1956 and continued into 1957.

(d) Includes disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

TABLE 20 - INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (Involving Stoppage of Work)(a) : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number	Workers Involved			Working days lost	Estimated loss in wages (£)
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1940	350	178,939	13,658	192,597	1,507,252	1,716,121
1941	567	240,845	7,262	248,107	984,174	1,000,102
1942	602	166,167	3,096	169,263	378,195	456,090
1943	785	288,028	8,075	296,103	990,151	1,153,506
1944	941	260,792	15,566	276,358	912,752	1,111,729
1945	945	299,641	16,297	315,938	2,119,641	2,567,444
1946	869	331,865	16,683	348,548	1,947,844	2,290,147
1947	982	280,718	46,419	327,137	1,338,728	1,898,085
1948	1,141	301,025	16,124	317,149	1,662,686	2,299,114
1949	849	260,720	3,857	264,577	1,333,990	2,611,536
1950	1,276	391,481	40,220	431,701	2,062,888	4,166,418
1951	1,344	380,421	28,171	408,592	872,974	2,256,028
1952	1,627	488,178	17,556	505,734	1,163,504	3,439,850
1953	1,459	483,800	12,245	496,046	1,050,830	3,337,437
1954	1,490	355,580	14,494	370,074	901,639	3,021,211
1955	1,532	424,340	20,307	444,647	1,010,884	3,310,321
1956	1,306	414,590	13,393	427,983	1,121,383	3,967,061
1957	1,103	325,995	11,048	337,043	630,213	2,308,622
1956 : December Quarter	333	72,064	2,286	74,350	109,631	382,987
1957 : March "	289	78,078	3,029	81,107	103,223	362,181
June "	263	88,414	2,667	91,081	166,994	627,926
September "	307	90,605	3,301	93,906	192,745	698,990
December "	244	68,898	2,051	70,949	167,251	619,525

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishment were the stoppages occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute.

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